

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1) (CANCELLED) A structured surfactant system comprising a water soluble carbohydrate as a structurant.

2) (CANCELLED) A structured surfactant system having suspending properties which comprises a surfactant, water and a structurant characterised in that said structurant comprises a water soluble carbohydrate.

3) (CANCELLED) A system according to claim 2 which consists of a G-phase.

4) (CANCELLED) A system according to claim 3 wherein said G-phase has a lamellar repeat spacing greater than 15 nm.

5) (CANCELLED) A system according to claim 4 which is transparent.

6) (CANCELLED) A structured surfactant system having suspending properties and surfactant, carbohydrate and water and having a structural feature with a repeat spacing of from 20 to 50 nm, wherein said carbohydrate is a structurant.

7) (CANCELLED) A system according to claim 4 wherein said feature is lamellar.

8) (CANCELLED) A system according to claim 2 wherein said carbohydrate is present in an amount of at least 25 % by weight based on the weight of said system.

9) (CANCELLED) A system according to claim 2 wherein the surfactant is present in any amount between 1 to 60% by weight based on the weight of the system.

10) (CANCELLED) A system according to claim 2 wherein water is present in an amount greater than 20% by weight based on the weight of the system.

11) (CANCELLED) A system according to claim 10 containing 30 to 60 % by weight water.

12) (CANCELLED) A system according to claim 2 wherein said carbohydrate is selected from the group consisting of: mono saccharides sugars, disaccharide sugars, gluconic acid, mannitol, ascorbic acid, sorbitol, mannitol or inositol.

13) (CANCELLED) An aqueous suspension comprising a system according to claim 2 and further comprising particles of solid, liquid or gas stably suspended therein.

14) (CANCELLED) A composition according to claim 13 wherein said particles comprises a builder.

15) (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~A suspension according to claim 13~~ A structured surfactant system having suspending properties which comprises a surfactant, water and a structurant characterised in that said structurant comprises a water soluble carbohydrate and further comprising particles of solid, liquid or gas stably suspended therein wherein said particles comprise an abrasive.

16) (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~A suspension according to claim 13~~ A structured surfactant system having suspending properties which comprises a surfactant, water and a structurant characterised in that said structurant comprises a water soluble carbohydrate and further comprising particles of solid, liquid or gas stably suspended therein wherein said particles comprise a pesticide.

17) (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~A suspension according to claim 13~~ A structured surfactant system having suspending properties which comprises a surfactant, water and a structurant characterised in that said structurant comprises a water soluble carbohydrate and further comprising particles of solid, liquid or gas stably suspended therein wherein said particles comprise an oil.

18) (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~A suspension according to claim 13~~ A structured surfactant system having suspending properties which comprises a surfactant, water and a structurant characterised in that said structurant comprises a water soluble carbohydrate and further comprising particles of solid, liquid or gas stably suspended therein wherein said particles

comprise a pigment.

19) (ORIGINAL) A composition according to claim 18 having a plurality of differently pigmented zones producing a variegated visual effect.

20) (ORIGINAL) A packaged fluid surfactant-containing product, comprising an at least partially transparent container, and therein a stable structured surfactant comprising a continuous phase and a dispersed phase and having a variegated appearance caused by the inclusion in localized portions of said structured surfactant of a dye or pigment which is insoluble in said continuous phase and present (A) as particles suspended in said continuous phase and having a particle size sufficiently small to be able to give said portions a substantially homogenous appearance which is visually distinct from other portions of said structured surfactant in said container, and/or (B) dissolved in or absorbed on said dispersed phase.